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# Hack Attack: Pearl Harbor or Watergate? A Right to Control the Narrative, or Truth?

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March 11—Six weeks after President Trump took office, the neoliberal Establishment has still not reconciled itself with the results of the United States' democratic election. The neoliberal, globalist mainstream media are in a head-over-heels, non-stop campaign, claiming that Russian hacking attacks helped Trump to win.

In reality, something entirely different is going on: First, Trump has promised and is determined to end the British imperial policy of endless war in the Middle East, and instead to put the U.S. relationship with Russia and China on a rational basis. And second, this

whole campaign is occurring against a backdrop in which the trans-Atlantic financial system could implode at any minute, and in which Trump, according to his press spokesman Sean Spicer, is sticking to his intention to institute the Glass-Steagall system of bank separation, which is a red flag for the City of London and Wall Street.

The *Washington Post* and *New York Times* repeat daily the "narrative" of the alleged Russia-gate, and *New York Times* columnist Thomas L. Friedman has even brought out the big guns and compared the alleged

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*Not an iota of evidence has been produced to back up the hysterical campaign alleging that Russia interfered in the election of President Trump.*

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Russian hacking of Democratic Party emails to “Pearl Harbor,” Japan’s attack which brought the United States into World War II, and to “9/11.” Russia has therefore, he claims, “attacked the core of our democracy.”

But what was the actual content revealed in the first round of *Wikileaks*’ publication of these emails? They exposed that the Democratic Party leadership had massively manipulated the electoral process in favor of Hillary Clinton and against Bernie Sanders. Second, *Wikileaks* published the speech Hillary Clinton gave before Wall Street bankers, in which she made it clear that, as President, she would represent Wall Street’s interests. Robert Parry, the investigative journalist who won an unassailable reputation for his exposé of the Iran-Contra scandal, pointed out in his latest article (“[The Policy Behind Russia-gate](#)”) that it hardly makes sense to call the leaks an attack on “the core of our democracy” if they helped the American people (as is their right) to be informed of these essential facts about a presidential candidate.

Just as the witch-hunt against Trump and several of his cabinet members and advisers reached a new high point, *Wikileaks* began to publish a new round of intelligence that surpasses the revelations of Edward Snowden. These revelations concern the total surveillance which—in addition to the NSA—the CIA (and the British intelligence service GCHQ) carries out throughout the entire world through tapping into smartphones, tablets, computers, smart-TVs, and other electronic devices. This involves an unparalleled breach of the law, which has not yet led to a storm of outrage only because the frog is being cooked slowly, as the saying goes: The frog, thrown into cold water, doesn’t notice that the temperature is slowly rising until it is too late. The CIA is strictly prohibited from carrying out operations within the United States against Americans. This time Mrs. Merkel has not even ventured her



RT video grab

Robert Parry

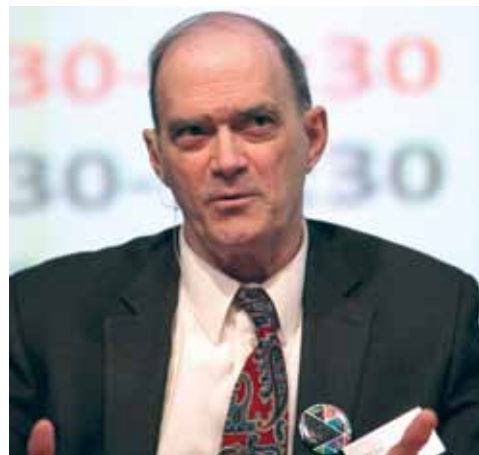
pussyfooting statement that “Spying among friends—that is not acceptable.”

But the revelation that the CIA has the technical capacity to *take control* of people’s electronic devices and carry out hacking and other operations under a “false flag,” was also part of the new *Wikileaks* release. That raises the legitimate question as to whether the alleged Russian hacking attacks may not have been carried out from CIA headquarters in Langley, Virginia—or perhaps from the U.S. consulate in Frank-

furt, which has been identified as the secondary base of operations for CIA activities in Europe, China, and the Middle East. The very fact that letters of the Cyrillic alphabet and Russian names appeared in several of the hacking operations raises the question of “false flag” operations, since the most savvy hackers would hardly be so stupid as to leave their calling card on the tray.

These latest *Wikileaks* releases have turned the tide in the United States. The alleged links of the Trump team to Russia are no longer the only focus, but attention is now turned to the question of who is responsible for the illegal passing of information about the conversations of Trump associates with, for example, Russian Ambassador Sergey Kislyak, conversations that occurred in the reasonable pursuit of their functions as senators or members of the transition team. The Senate Judiciary Committee chaired by Sen. Charles Grassley, which is probing these questions, is now investigating in two directions—not only the alleged contacts of the Trump team with Russian institutions but, most notably, where the illegal leaks are coming from within the intelligence agencies.

Meanwhile, some former members of the intelligence community are speaking up, such as William Binney, one of the developers of the global NSA surveillance system—thus one of the top experts in this area and today a whistleblower like Edward Snowden—who condemn the



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William Binney at the Congress on Privacy & Surveillance at the École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, on Sept. 30, 2013.

CIA's methods as absolutely unconstitutional. They say that these practices involve a total corruption of the legal system, that the United States is already a police state, and dangerously close to being a totalitarian state.

It may transpire that the alleged Russian hacking of the Democratic Party emails to help elect Trump was by no means a "Pearl Harbor" event, but that, on the contrary, Trump's friend of many years, Roger Stone, is right in his evaluation: Stone, who participated in many Republican election campaigns and administrations after serving as a member of the Nixon Administration, says that as an active witness of the scandals that ended Nixon's political career, this current affair is far more serious than Watergate. He says it constitutes the gravest breach of law and public morality in the history of the United States.

As for one of the questions that has now become relevant, as to who arranged for a request to the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court for authorization to surveil Trump, Stone stressed that it is improbable that it could have happened without Obama's agreement. In the Nixon case, the truth is that he didn't actually know in advance about the break-in at the Watergate Hotel, but despite that, he had to take responsibility for the crime. Today it is only a question of time as to when Obama, the former Secretary of Defense, and the heads of the CIA and FBI have to testify before a Grand Jury, and the whole issue could potentially become the greatest scandal in American history, Stone said. Very soon, the question will be: What did Obama know, and when did he know it?

### **U.S., Russia, China Must Cooperate**

The neoliberals and neoconservatives on both sides of the Atlantic are acting like children who shut their eyes and think that it makes them invisible. The whole world is talking about the bankruptcy of the working model of this Establishment, which thinks only of its own advantage, at the expense of the general welfare.

Donald Trump—who surely isn't perfect and must still demonstrate whether the trust placed in him was



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*Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi speaking at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) in Washington, D.C. on Feb. 25, 2016.*

justified, and in whose administration there lurk all kinds of potential submarines—was elected because a section of the American public that the neoliberal Establishment had written off, had had absolutely enough of endless wars, wars that had cost \$6 trillion over 15 years, ruined countless soldiers and their families psychologically, and left them penniless; they had had enough of "rescue packages" for Wall Street, of the drug epidemic, of a life without a future.

The arrogant and pig-headed commentators in Europe should learn from the way that the strategic change is perceived in other

parts of the world. On March 8—at his annual press conference at the National People's Congress—Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi [stressed anew](#) that China's objective is to stabilize the world situation through cooperation among the United States, Russia, and China, and thus promote worldwide economic, technological, and scientific development. The modern infrastructure projects that China has already initiated in 60 nations along the New Silk Road offer a platform for the most brilliant prospects for the whole world, if the most important nations participate. The New Silk Road initiative comes from China, he said, but it belongs to the whole world, and its success would benefit all nations.

It is admittedly difficult for people in Germany—who are faced with the totally lock-step mainstream media and their hysterical anti-Trump campaign, their demonization of Russian President Putin, and their ongoing negative reporting on China—to form a clear picture of what is happening in the world. But one thing should be clear to anyone who thinks it through: The world's problems can only be solved if the United States, Russia, and China cooperate. And only the political forces in Germany which are aligned with this perspective deserve to be supported.

Germany has a fantastic opportunity to bring its great cultural and scientific tradition into the shaping of the new paradigm of cooperation among all nations in win-win collaboration in the expansion of the New Silk Road. Don't let the "narratives" of the mass media block the way.